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Via ECF

April 10, 2018

Honorable Paul G. Gardephe, U.S.D.J.  
United States District Court  
Southern District of New York  
40 Foley Square, Room 705  
New York, NY 10007

**Re: *Starr Surplus Lines Insurance Company and Houston Casualty  
Company v. CRF Frozen Foods, LLC*  
Civil Action No.: 17-cv-1030 (PGG)**

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Dear Judge Gardephe:

This firm represents Defendant CRF Frozen Foods, LLC in the above referenced action. The parties are scheduled to appear before Your Honor for a pretrial conference on April 12, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

We write to respectfully request that, if possible, co-counsel, Mark Hanson, Esq. of the Nilles Law Firm in Fargo, North Dakota, attend the conference by telephone, while I attend in person. Mr. Hanson was admitted *pro hac vice* in this matter on March 31, 2017. (ECF No. 54).

Counsel for Starr Surplus Lines Insurance Company and Houston Casualty Company have no objection to this request.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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